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## METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR NATURAL LANGUAGE PROCESSING OF ELECTRONIC MAIL

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A technique for accessing electronic mail (e-mail) messages includes populating a database with the e-mail and segments of text comprising the e-mail. The segments of text are associated with lexical types, thereby producing plural lexical elements. Access is based on a search of the lexical types. The query upon which the access is based is segmented into lexical elements and the database is accessed based on the lexical elements derived from the query.

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